To: Chairman Wally Herger, Ways and Means Subcommittee on Health

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Regarding hearing: hearing on Obamacare's government health insurance exchanges (federal takeover centers) and Obamacare.

Dear Sir:

I say NO to Federally controlled Exchanges because they are simply Government-Run Health Care. Government run systems (socialistic systems) have failed to provide the excellent medical care that we have in the United States today. We have one of the best health care systems in the world and to change this from private enterprise to government control care is absolutely NOT necessary. It should never be regarded as the Law of the Land.

I feel strongly that the Obamacare law is bad for the United States. Part of this law is the federal and state exchanges. I say NO to these Exchanges; I <u>Say No To</u>: Federal government controls (law/rules); No to a National tracking system of insurance status; No to Intrusive data-sharing through the Federal Data Services Hub; No to a National registration system for IRS enforcement of the individual mandate; No to Federal control over health plan choices; No to Federal interference in the state insurance market and individual medical decision-making; No to Elimination of the existing entire health insurance agent industry which this law would do; No to Federal control of health care in the 50 states; No to Accountable Care Organizations (ACOs); No to the Independent Patient Advisory Boards (IPAB); And No to National health care Obamacare law, encompassing over 2000 pages of federal bureaucratic control over the best private health care system in the world.

Privatization should be encouraged, as well as incentives for proper behavior and lifestyle. Putting healthcare responsibility back into the hands of the physicians and the consumer, taking it away from big Wall Street insurance companies and the unknowledgeable federal bureaucracy should be the prime goal of healthcare reform. We had many hospitals and entities that gave out charity care because it was the right thing to do, and people gained access to health care. What the present Medicare and Medicaid system has done is simply created excessive abuses for the system and the physicians providing the care. Expanding this existing system that is broken is totally illogical and wrong.

In addition, no personal responsibility is factored into the Obamacare law. People should be incentivized for maintaining a proper weight, eliminating obesity, exercising, eating properly, discontinuing smoking, and a number of other behaviors which can reduce healthcare expenditures by over a third. None of these ideas are in Obamacare, yet all of these should be paramount in any health care reform. Each individual should be held accountable to their own health care improvement.

I am asking you to defund the exchanges, recall all unspent federal exchange dollars, and repeal the Obamacare law.

Sincerely,

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